

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 25 Apr 53	2. LOCATION Vicinity Ottawa, Ohio		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 26/0320Z	4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	6. SOURCE GOC Observers		<input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION Couple seconds-#1 20 mins - #2	8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS two	9. COURSE 1 - SW 2 - Stationary	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING One oblong object size of a big cigar, variable fm brilliant red to brilliant white to bluish white & orange moving at a high rate of speed to SW. Second obj rnd, larger than a star, stationary.		11. COMMENTS First oblong strongly suggestive of meteor - second possibly moon.	

Multi

200320Z

Called 08153

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FM COMDR 53 ADD WPAFB

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INFO RJEPNB/COMDR EADF STEWART AFB

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/UNCLAS/ CITE NO. 203-24. SUBJECT: UFOB

A. DESCRIPTION:

(1) OBLONG 2 ROUN

(2) LARGER THAN A STAR, #1 SIZE OF A BIG CIGAR

(3) VARIABLE FROM BRILLIANT RED TO BRILLIANT WHITE TO PLUSH WHITE AND ORANGE.

(4) TWO- 5 MIN. APART

(5) N/A

(6) NOTHING OUTSTANDING

(7) NONE

(8) NONE

(9) NONE

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE:

(1) WAS MANNING GOC POST.

(2) 28/DEG-29/DEG FROM POST FM 50 BLACK ALTITUDE LESS THAN 1,000 FT.

(3) DISAPPEARED A FEW DEGREES SOUTH OF POSITION IN ITEM (2)

(4) STATIONARY, #1 HIGH RATE OF SPEED MOVING TO (SW).

(5) INSTANTANEOUSLY TO THE SOUTH OF THE POST.

(6) 2 (MIN) 1 COUPLE SECONDS

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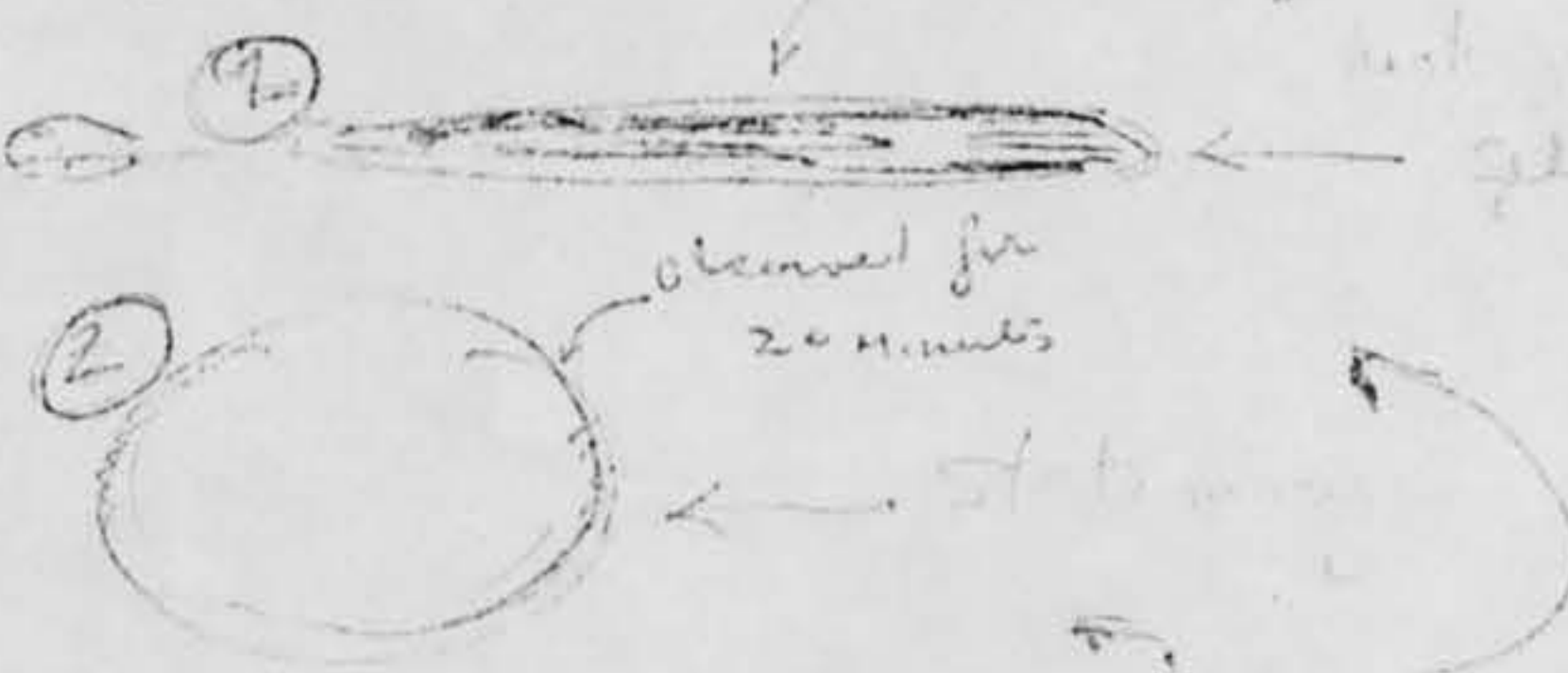
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1-113

717 16 objects not
bracketed in
a at 1000 ft
this report

2 Objects

observed for
2 seconds only



seen 5 minutes
apart. Not related
objects
Sighting

(N)

L. NONE

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26/0606Z APR RJEDFL

ATL Comment:

1. Altin clock shows moon
almost due west of Gol at
the position given (i.e. LHA
of Aris -127 approx).

2. The brilliant, long, actual object
observed for only two seconds
moving at high speed towards SW
is highly suggestive of

• Martian.

3. Definitely not same object as seen 8-10
minutes ago.

4. On the basis of the above:

Other Martian interpretation of two
conventional objects - later position

5.

① Other
Possibly
misinterpretation
of Aris (moon &
meteorite) due
to adverse
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1. MANNER OF OBSERVATION:

(1) GROUND VISUAL

(2) N/A

(3) N/A

D. TIME AND DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) 1 26/0320Z, 2 26/0328Z 0320-5 = 2320

(2) NIGHT

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVER(S):

GOC POST FM 53 BLACK NEAR OTTAWA, PUTMAN COUNTY, OHIO

F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION ON OBSERVER(S):

(1) [REDACTED] POST SUPERVISOR, [REDACTED] AND WIFE AND

CHILDREN. [REDACTED] COUNTY CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR. [REDACTED]

G. WEATHER & WINDS -ALOFT CONDITION TIME & PLACE OF SIGHTING:

(1) HIGH THIN SCTD V HIGH THIN PRKN 15

(2) SURFACE- 340 DEG 6 KT

3,000 - 320 DEG 20 KT

4,000 - 330 DEG 30 KT

6,000 - 250 DEG 50 KT

8,000 - 270 DEG 65 KT

10,000 - 270 DEG 100 KT

15,000 - 270 DEG 60 KT

20,000 - 270 DEG 5 KT

(3) NONE

(4) 15

(5) (5/10-7/10)

(6) NONE

H. UNK

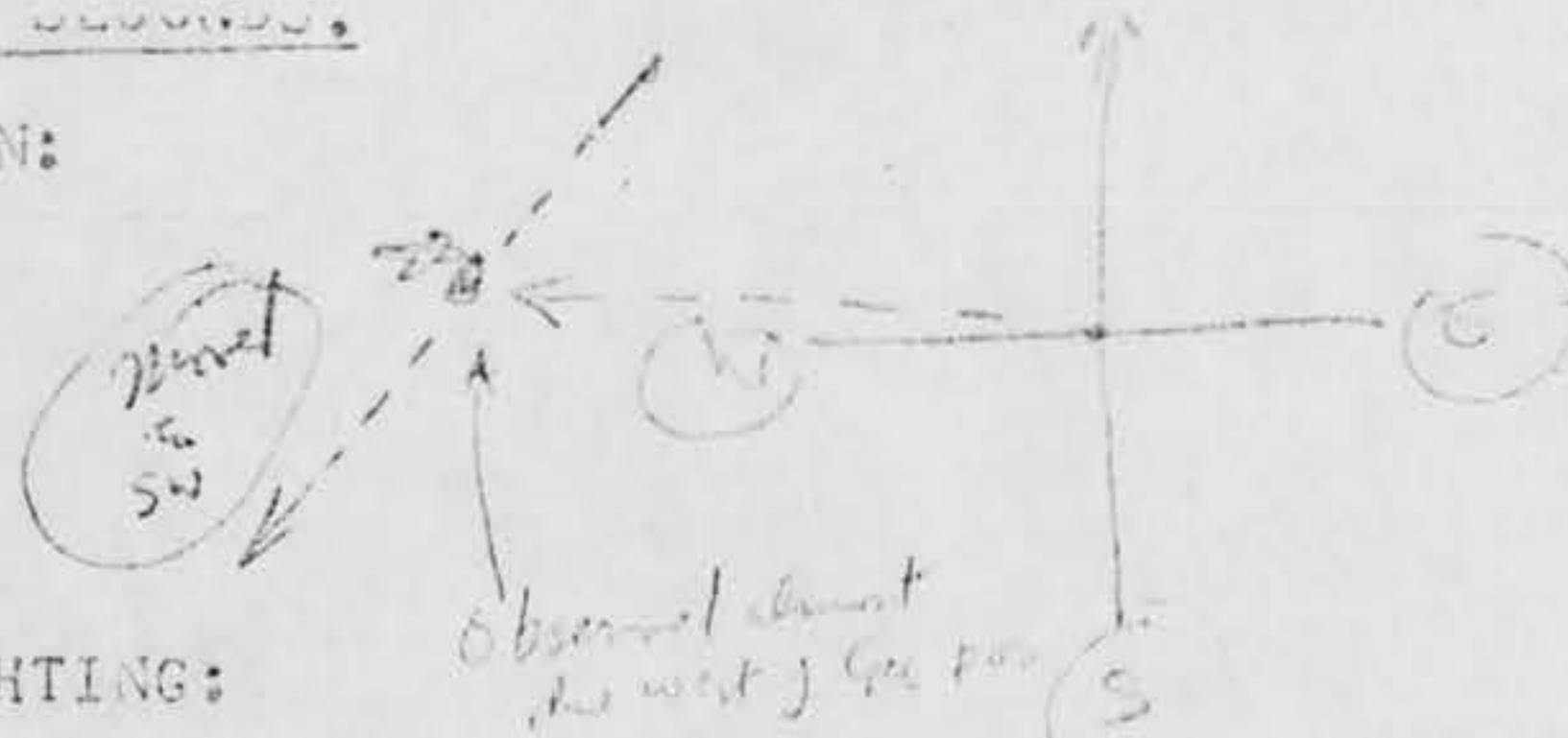
I. NONE

J. UNK

K. [REDACTED]

CAPT USAF

SENIOR CONTROLLER



*See you
reply*
~~April 24, 1952~~
~~File, 1952~~

Major Carl R. Hart
Air Force UFO Information Office
The Pentagon
Washington, D.C.

Dear Major Hart:

I would appreciate knowing the official Air Force conclusion concerning a UFO sighting in our area a few years ago.

On either April 24 or 25, 1952, a UFO sighting was made in Ottawa, Ohio (in Lutzman County, north of Lima) during the evening. According to newspaper reports, the Civil Defense unit was in touch with Columbus center and on alert all through that night.

First, a round brilliant light was seen hovering over Ottawa for a period of several minutes. The witnesses included the Civil Defense chief for the county, two Ground Observer Corps members, and some Ottawa citizens. The light changed color as it hovered.

Fifteen minutes later, as the Civil Defense man and another observer were hurrying to report the object to Columbus Civil Defense, they saw a brightly lighted air-shaped object at very low altitude streak by at extremely high speed.

The writer of our newspaper indicated at the

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July 3, 1963

Dear Mrs. [REDACTED]

Air Force files indicate two sightings on the 25th of April 1953, in Ottawa, Ohio. The first sighting occurred at 0320 zebra time and was evaluated as a meteor. The second sighting occurred eight minutes later and was evaluated as being the moon.

Your interest in Air Force activities is appreciated.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM J. LOCKADOO
Lt. Colonel, USAF
Public Information Division
Office of Information

Mrs. [REDACTED] b1

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Lima, Ohio